
MING LOWE

Themes and Emotions Influence Artist's Works

Ming Lowe didn't know she wanted to be an artist, but at age fifteen she was looking for something. By the time she was twenty-six she decided that something was art.

In the ten or so years after she declared herself an artist, Ms. Lowe has created hundreds of works on canvas and paper. Each conveys a different feeling or emotion and every subject in her work plays a different role. In "Boy's Nite Out," the lad tying his shoelaces suggests a feeling of anticipation for a night of partying. In "Holiday," the subject takes on a sassy and sexy role.

Some of Ms. Lowe's other works are influenced by the theme "Entertainment".

"I like things that are alive and move!" she exclaims.

"Entertainment is where the action is!"

Working out of her Palm Desert studio, built piece-by-piece from her art proceeds, she turns out a



multitude of themes on canvas and paper. Her work isn't expressionistic in the sense that it expresses her own personal feelings of a particular situation. Confrontations and interrelationships between people, even if not of a positive nature, are themes that show up in her work recently on display at College of the Desert. Ming is a powerhouse of an artist. Everything she does

somehow is connected to, or feeds into her art. The amount of time Ming spends on each individual work varies. Sometimes a seemingly simple subject can take months of on-and-off work before she is satisfied that it is complete. "If I get burned out on a painting I'll switch over to photography," she says. "I don't ski or anything like that. I need a new hobby!" She also makes it a point to read to keep tabs on what is going on in the world.

Currently Ming is working on a series of drawings with "Romance" as a central theme. She also plans to keep working on her art far into the foreseeable future. "I just want my work to keep going out!"

In a field dominated by men, a talented artist like Ming Lowe has little to worry about.

"Women have proven to be great achievers," she says. "It's exciting to be a woman and achieve something!" — ALFREDO ZAPATA

